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Shamir at Bar-Simantov funeral:

## Israel will keep up pursuit of terrorists

By BENNY MORRIS  
Post Diplomatic Reporter  
and Agencies

Senior government spokesmen last night reiterated that Israel holds the PLO responsible for the murder of diplomat Ya'acov Bar-Simantov in Paris on Saturday.

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, delivering an eulogy at Bar-Simantov's graveside in Holon yesterday, vowed that Israel will continue its effort to destroy the terrorist organizations and their leaders.

In insisting that the PLO had a hand in the murder, the senior government spokesmen, both of the Foreign Ministry and of the Prime Minister's Office, denied the veracity of a Kol Yisrael report yesterday claiming that "Israeli government circles had reached the conclusion that Bar-Simantov was

murdered by Neo-Nazi — rather than Arab or left-wing terrorists.

Without identifying a source, the radio report said that the "government circles" had based their conclusion on "the function that Bar-Simantov filled on the Paris embassy staff," where he served as a second secretary. The implication of the radio report was that Bar-Simantov's job had been to keep tabs on Neo-Nazis, and that they had discovered this and killed him.

"Our cumulative intelligence indicates that the PLO was responsible, though the French authorities, of course, are investigating in all directions — neo-Nazis, the Carlos organization and so on," said the Foreign Ministry spokesman.

At the UN yesterday, Israel charged in a letter to the Security Council that the PLO was responsible.

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The aircraft carrier Invincible gets a sendoff from crowds who gathered at Portsmouth harbour to watch the departure of the British naval task force for the South Atlantic. (UPI telephoto)

## Golan Druse strike now focuses on ID cards

By YOEL DAR  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

MAJDAL SHAMS. — The general strike in the Golan Druse villages continued yesterday in spite of the removal of the roadblocks ending the military siege.

All but about 200 workers stayed home, and shops and schools were closed. Farmers and shepherds who unofficially would have broken the strike did not leave their homes due to bad weather.

The pro-Syrian groups claim the strike will continue for an indefinite period, this time to protest against the government which "compelled us to accept identity cards forcibly."

Because of the end of the military

siege, Druse could leave their villages without military permits. Outside the villages, however, civilian policemen examined their documents, sending back those without identity cards after writing out a complaint against them. They are to be tried later.

A police source said the Golan Druse villages remained calm yesterday, although there is still considerable tension. Dozens of identity cards were spotted scattered on the ground yesterday morning. Officials admitted that an unknown number of residents had torn up their identity cards, but also said that some Druse left their identity cards near their homes but collected them later.

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## Shift unlikely in UK policy on Mideast

By HYAM CORNEY  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — The appointment of Francis Pym as foreign secretary to replace Lord Carrington, who resigned yesterday morning over the Falkland Islands debacle, is unlikely to lead to any early change in Britain's Middle East policy.

Pym, who until now was leader of the House of Commons and thus worked closely with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, was in fact favourite for the post of foreign secretary when the Conservatives were returned to power in 1979. (He had been the opposition spokesman on foreign affairs for the previous year.) But Lord Carrington was keen on the post — and he got it.

Despite having been shadow foreign secretary, Pym has no deep knowledge or first-hand experience of either international affairs in general or of the Middle East. He is not regarded as either pro-Arab or pro-Israeli.

Pym will start with the advantage that the recent Carrington visit to Israel improved relations between the two countries. The Foreign Office assessment is that the visit went better than expected.

The view here is that there will no longer be misunderstandings due to lack of trust and lack of communication.

The British feel that the press coverage of the visit did not accurately reflect the atmosphere and that the Israeli refusal to let Carrington's aides see the deposed West Bank mayors did not sour the visit, as was claimed in press reports here.

## PLO disclaims responsibility

Post Mideast Affairs Reporter  
and Agencies

The PLO was showing clear signs of nervousness last night following direct Israeli accusations that it was responsible for the murder in Paris on Saturday of diplomat Ya'acov Bar-Simantov.

"All information we have regarding the assassination of the Israeli diplomat indicates that the PLO has no connection with the incident," the organization declared in an official statement carried by the Palestine News Agency (Wafa). The statement hastened to add, however, that it was "not issued in

response to or out of fear of the threats made by (Foreign Minister Yitzhak) Shamir, (Defence Minister Ariel) Sharon, or others — it reflects the truth which we find necessary to confirm, especially since the incident involves a third party, France."

The statement also referred to the possibility that Israel might consider the assassination a breach of the cease-fire in South Lebanon and use this to justify an attack on PLO bases there.

Shamir added fuel to these fears in his grave-side eulogy at Bar-Simantov's funeral in Holon.

## Labour spurns second offer by Begin on unity gov't

By SARAH HONIG  
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party yesterday quickly tipped in the bid another offer from Prime Minister Menachem Begin to establish a national unity government, made up of "all the Zionist parties in the country." A similar offer was rejected in February.

Begin made the proposal at an outdoor ceremony in Dimona,

where one of the town squares was named for Ze'ev Jabotinsky, founder of the Revisionist Movement. He said the cheering crowd that "what this nation now needs more than anything is unity. A national unity government is necessary, and possible," he said while slapping his chest, Dimona mayor and Labour MK Jacques Amir on the back. (Picture — Page 2)

"We can all work together and we should. Now I will wait for an answer from Labour," Begin added, as the townspeople applauded.

The answer was quick to come. Following a Labour political bureau session in which Begin's offer was not even discussed, party chairman Shimon Peres said that he will reply

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## Border policeman, stabbed in Jenin, dies of wounds

AFULA (Itim). — Assad Halabi, the border policeman who was stabbed while patrolling in Jenin during last month's disturbances, died yesterday of his wounds in Afula Hospital. Halabi, 41, of the Druse village of Yirka in Western Galilee, is survived by his wife and eight children.

Halabi, on duty with a group of border policemen in Jenin on March 24, tried to prevent a young man from inciting merchants in the central market to lock up their shops and strike. The man, who was later identified as Fadi Kanouh, a known terrorist wanted by the security authorities, suddenly pulled out a dagger and stabbed Halabi twice in the back.

Halabi's colleagues immediately opened fire and killed Kanouh on the spot.

Halabi, who had served with the Border Police since 1967, was described by his commanding officers as a brave and dedicated fighter.

He was buried in his village yesterday.

## Begin denies calling radio anti-Zionist

Prime Minister Menachem Begin yesterday denied saying that Kol Yisrael was anti-Zionist and anti-state. The prime minister made this denial at a meeting with the head of radio, Gideon Lev-Ari, Kol Yisrael reported last night.

Earlier, the radio's management committee had unanimously rejected Begin's reported criticisms, which he was said to have made at the weekly cabinet meeting on Sunday.

According to the earlier reports, Begin was said to have launched a sharp attack on the radio, calling it "anti-Zionist and anti-state." The prime minister was also said to have demanded that the Education Ministry, which is responsible for the Broadcasting Authority Law, appoint an official to monitor the radio 20 hours a day.

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## Farmers' strike planned

By YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut's Agricultural Centre and its affiliates are planning a strike for May 2, which will prevent all agricultural produce from reaching the market.

The action is being taken because of farmers' growing discontent with what they say is the government's failure to take action to solve the crisis in the country's farming.

Chairman of the centre's economic committee, Yehuda Sa'adi, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that the farmers were "sick and tired" of promises, which

had not been fulfilled.

An emergency session of the Moshav Movement convention has already approved stepping-up protest activities; and the plenum of the Agricultural Centre, which meets April 19, is expected to ratify the decision to go on strike, which was put off until after Independence Day.

Responding to this a high-ranking official of the Agriculture Ministry told reporters yesterday that there was a plan to meet the crisis in farming. He said the Treasury and the Knesset Finance Committee had

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## IDF source tells how—and why—books are banned

The IDF yesterday for the first time allowed a journalist to peruse the censor's list of books banned in the administered areas and explained in an exclusive interview the detailed reasons for each prohibition.

The list, shown to The Jerusalem Post, was updated through December 31, 1981, and is composed of 1,100 titles, including volumes of poetry, short stories, novels, history and political analysis. It substantially confirms previous IDF assertions about what is on the list and what is not.

Last month a number of Israeli and foreign publications, including

The New York Times, charged that the IDF list consists of 2,000-4,000 volumes and includes such books as Alan Moorehead's *The White Nile* and *The Blue Nile*, George Orwell's *1984*, and works by Egyptian writers Tewfik al-Hakim and Naguib Mahfouz.

These titles do not appear on the computer print-out list, which serves the IDF censor's office as a "technical master list."

"The IDF censor approves about 99 per cent of the books for which import licences are requested by West Bank and Gaza book-dealers and libraries," said a senior IDF source.

Explaining the doubling of the number of banned books from about 600 in March 1981 to the present figure, the source pointed out that in 1977, some 4,624 titles were imported into Israel from Arab countries; 8,055 in 1980; and 21,342 in 1981. The jump between 1980 and 1981 occurred as a result of the opening of the Neot Sinai crossing point and the blossoming of book importation from Egypt.

"Unlike my bank account, the total number of books banned can only increase each year," said the source.

"But for every hundred books the IDF has banned, thousands more, I am sure, have been allowed through — which could equally well have been banned," said the source. He was referring to the fact that due to the volume of book traffic through the censor's office, the censor is unable to thoroughly read each book — and restricts himself to "leafing through." "Of course, if one story in a volume of 20 stories is found to contain anti-Semitic or inflammatory anti-Israeli material, then

the whole volume is banned," explained the source.

The list of 1,100 banned titles is composed exclusively of books in Arabic and almost exclusively of books by Arabs published in Arab capitals. The list contains "one or two books" published in the Soviet Union (in Arabic) and about a dozen books translated from French, German or English into Arabic.

In one or two of these cases, the Arabic version is not an accurate translation but a variation — with added anti-Semitic or anti-Israeli material — of the original, such as the Arabic version of Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*, which is on the list.

In other cases, as with Yigal Allon's *The Creation and Development of the Israeli Army* (*Insha'a wa'takween al-jish al-Israeli*), the preface added to the original volume is "hostile," states the censor's report on the book recom-

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Carrington resigns, replaced by Pym

## 2 UK carriers lead armada to Falklands

PORTSMOUTH. — To tearful farewells and the patriotic cheers of tens of thousands, the aircraft carriers *Invincible* and *Hermes* headed for the occupied Falkland Islands yesterday, spearheading the mightiest task force Britain has sent onto the high seas since the Suez crisis of 1956.

In London, Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington, Deputy Foreign Secretary Humphrey Atkins and Minister of State Richard Luce resigned over their handling of the Falklands dispute with Argentina. But an offer to resign by Defence Minister John Nott was turned down by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who told him to stay on the job.



Francis Pym

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She appointed the leader of the House of Commons and former defence minister Francis Pym to replace Lord Carrington.

Trade Secretary John Biffen was named to take over Pym's previous job.

The British government yesterday requisitioned the P and O 45,000-ton passenger liner *Canberra* to serve as a troopship and said other ships would be taken over if necessary. The *Canberra* can carry more than 2,000 troops.

Biffen announced the move in parliament. He also said that the government was considering other economic sanctions against Argentina to reinforce a freeze on Argentine financial assets in Britain.

Shouts of "God speed *Invincible*" and "Hip, hip hooray" rose from the huge flag-waving crowd

gathered along the Portsmouth waterfront as the *Invincible* sailed out with crewmen lining the deck. Hundreds stood on rooftops and leaned from balconies in the narrow streets of old Portsmouth to see the fleet depart for what could be Britain's biggest sea battle since World War II.

Union Jacks draped the seawall and were waved by family, friends and well-wishers jostling for position to signal their farewells to the warships. The *Invincible's* crew includes Prince Andrew, 22, second-in-line to the British throne and a junior officer and Sea King pilot trained in the use of nuclear depth charges.

The military operation was estimated to be costing more than £50 million (about \$1.72 billion) even before the fleet reaches the Falklands.

As the fleet, eventually to include 40 vessels or two-thirds of Britain's

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## Argentina rushing reinforcements

BUENOS AIRES (Reuter). — Argentina is rushing more troops and armoured vehicles to the Falkland (Malvinas) Islands in preparation for a possible British attempt to regain its colonial outpost by force, official sources said yesterday.

The Buenos Aires daily *Clarín* said that air force transport planes had flown a number of infantry bat-

alions into the southern city of Comodoro Rivadavia, the main centre for a military airlift to the Falklands, 1,200 kilometres to the southeast.

Argentine navy sources here said that the last six British Royal Marines peacefully surrendered in the Falklands on Sunday night after having escaped Port Stanley on Friday.

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Jericho	10-14	10-15	Cloudy
Gaza	10-14	10-15	Cloudy
Beersheba	10-14	10-15	Cloudy
Elitz	10-14	10-15	Cloudy

## SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The Mayor of Berlin, Mr. Richard von Weizsäcker, and his wife yesterday visited the Weizmann Institute of Science and were guests of honor at a luncheon given by the Institute's President and Mrs. Michael Sela at their home. Guests included the German Ambassador, Dr. Niels Hansen, Israel Special Ambassador, Yohanan Meroz, Rehovot Mayor Yehzekel Hamelech, Dr. Josef Cohn, Executive Vice-President of the Institute's European Committee, and Professors Ruth Arnon, Mordechai Avron, Murray Bornstein, Michael Feldman, Joel Gat, Ephraim Katzir, Hans Lindner, Klaus Praefcke, and William Taub.

## LABOUR SPURNS

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to begin in detail at his own "next public appearance, at an outdoor rally in Dimona." But meanwhile he flatly rejected the idea, arguing that "nothing has changed since February, when we refused to negotiate the setting up of a national unity government. I detailed the party position in a long letter sent to Begin on February 25 and all that I said there still stands." Likud sources say that Begin "was not just toying with Labour when he made his offer. He spoke in earnest and feels that without a national unity government the country will be in difficult straits." The sources say he was also seeking to drive home to both the National Religious Party and Telem, both of which enthusiastically advocate a broad coalition, that he is pushing the idea but that the onus for lack of unity and possibly new elections would rest with Labour.

## Yugoslavs win 81-70 in youth tourney

Yugoslavia defeated Israel 81-70 last night in the qualifying round of the European Youth Basketball championship, in Tel Aviv. The Yugoslavs led 45-36 at the half. Both teams will go to the finals in Europe this summer, after having defeated Greece.

High scores for Israel was Alon Ophir, with 14 points.

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## HOME & WORLD NEWS

### Sharon points to quiet on W. Bank during tour

By ARVIE RUBINSTEIN  
Post Knesset Reporter

Members of the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee who toured Judea and Samaria yesterday with Defence Minister Ariel Sharon saw three Arab cities — El-Bireh, Ramallah and Nablus — where life appeared to have returned to normal after last month's disturbances, and visited three rapidly growing Jewish settlements.

Before taking leave of the MKs (eight of the committee's 21 members showed up), Sharon told reporters that allegations that the government was losing control over the West Bank and that the situation there would deteriorate further had not been borne out.

"Our fight is with the terror organizations," Sharon said. All the steps taken in recent months, including the inauguration of the civil administration and the dismissal of the three West Bank mayors, had been aimed at removing representatives of the terror organizations from positions of power.

The long-range goal was to create an atmosphere in which real negotiations on autonomy could be held, leading to peaceful co-existence between Jews and Arabs, Sharon said.

He said that there are now 102 settlements in Judea and Samaria — including 14 recently established Nahal outposts — and estimated

that by the end of the summer their total population would be over 30,000.

Sharon said that recent reports about "40 Nahal outposts" intended eventually to become full-fledged settlements were baseless.

The 14 outposts that were established had been deployed solely for current security, Sharon said.

Mordechai Gur (Alignment) commented that the outposts served "no security purpose."

Shlomo Hillel (Alignment) characterized the tour as "a smoke screen" to divert attention from the Sinai evacuation.

At Shilo, Nathan Natanson told the visitors that this religious "community settlement" of 281 persons is aiming at a population of 200 families. He said it had more land available for expansion than any other settlement in Judea and Samaria.

Local council head Ya'acov Feitelson said that the planned area of the town is 30,000 dunams (Tel Aviv covers about 50,000 dunams) and that 700 housing units are being built there this year.

### Corfu sidesteps demands on El Al Sabbath flights

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — The government will not force El Al to stop its Sabbath flights before looking at the results of a study being prepared by a special committee on the effects of such a move, Transport Minister Haim Corfu said yesterday.

Corfu thus sought to assuage leaders of the national carrier's staff committee who called his office in Jerusalem. The workers complained that the cessation of flights on the Sabbath and the Jewish holidays, in accordance with the coalition agreement with the ultra-Orthodox

Agudat Yisrael, would severely harm the airline.

The workers told Corfu that Agudat Yisrael has not threatened to leave the coalition if flights continue; rather, the ultra-Orthodox groups threatened to boycott El Al. What, then, is the government afraid of, they asked?

But Corfu did not yield to their arguments.

Meanwhile, the district labour court here is expected to consider an appeal tomorrow by the workers' committee to prevent the airline's management from ceasing Sabbath flights.

### Alleged bomb-maker blows self up

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An Arab who was apparently working on an explosive device was killed and his headless body was found yesterday near the Ramallah-Nablus highway.

He was identified as a resident of Kafr Kallil near Nablus, but security sources did not say how the identification was made.

An officer who spotted the body

lying near the road in a field with scattered olive trees near Mazra'a el-Sharkiyeh said that the type of injury suggests the Arab was leaning over the device and handling it when it exploded.

The body was found several kilometres south of Sinjil, where the body of a teen-age youth, Abdullah Yusuf Suhwain, was found on March 16.

### GOLAN DRUSE

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lected them later, especially at night. The officials said they did so to avoid verbal clashes with the Syrian groups, which have sworn to return the cards to the Interior Ministry.

Local Druse said yesterday that earlier in the week, employees of the ministry, accompanied by soldiers and policemen, moved from one house to another collecting the military cards and handing out civilian identity cards. When residents did not have a recent photograph, they were taken to an official photographer, who took their pictures and handed them cards over their objections.

Some who refused to accept cards say they were physically intimidated by police, while others said they preferred to accept the cards to being arrested. Some Druse threw their new identity cards out their windows.

Officials said, however, that only a few refused to accept cards and that many residents thanked them, expressing their hope that a new

chapter will open between them and the state.

Salman Taher, the Golan Druse spiritual leader, is one of those rumoured to want to return his ID card.

In another development, Salim Safadi of Mas'ada yesterday was ordered restricted to his home for six months for incitement against the Golan Law. Safadi, 22, is a student at Haifa University and was restricted for three months last year for distributing hostile propaganda among Druse students on campus. His father is one of the 12 Golan Druse currently being held under administrative detention.

In Jerusalem yesterday, the High Court of Justice issued an order nisi on behalf of 12 Druse petitioners — including two shot by troops last week while demonstrating against the ID cards — against Interior Minister Yosef Burg and OC Northern Command Aluf Amir Drori, giving them 10 days to explain why they should not stop forcing the petitioners to accept the cards.

Issued by Justice Aharon Barak, the order also requires Burg and Drori to explain why their branches should not make the receipt of services by the petitioners dependent upon their accepting Israeli ID cards.

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As Dimona Mayor Jacques Amir fumbles for his glasses before making a speech in the town yesterday, Prime Minister Menachem Begin steps in to help him out. They spoke at the dedication of Jabotinsky Square in Dimona. (Zoom 77)

### East Jerusalem journalists protest against censorship

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Journalists from three East Jerusalem dailies yesterday held a sit-in demonstration at Red Cross headquarters in Jerusalem's Sheikh Jarrah quarter to protest against censorship and what they claim is a ban on their papers' distribution in the administered territories.

Joining the 25 journalists were 15 mothers of security prisoners, who claimed their sons are being abused by Jewish inmates in Ramle Prison, and that they are not allowed to visit them.

Some of the demonstrators carried placards and walked along the street. Nearby border policemen did not interfere and the two-hour protest dispersed quietly at noon.

The East Jerusalem dailies *Al-Fajr* and *A-Shaab* were not officially banned in the territories, but their distribution licences expired on March 31 and were not renewed by the editors. They refused to do so in

protest against alleged new conditions that would legitimize military search and seizure measures if they are suspected of incitement.

Civil administration spokesman Shimon Mendes yesterday reiterated there are no new conditions to the licences adding that the new licences were ready by March 25 but the editors of *Al-Fajr* and *A-Shaab* refused to pick them up. However, the editor of *Al-Fajr*, another East Jerusalem daily, picked up its licence and the paper is distributed throughout the territories.

Regarding Ramle, prison commander Gundar-Mishne, David Perry denied there were any clashes between Arab and Jewish prisoners. He said all prisoners are held under the same conditions and are allowed one half-hour visit every two weeks. He said, however, there might have been problems in the Ramle Detention Centre, which is inside the prison but is an autonomous unit.

### BRITISH ARMADA

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naval strength, set sail, the former British governor of the Falklands and 77 Royal Marines captured in the Argentine invasion landed at Brize Norton RAF base near Oxford.

Gov. Rex Hunt, his wife and their son were first down the steps of the RAF aircraft which collected them from Uruguay to which they were deported after the Argentinian invasion last week.

British officials yesterday imposed a security clampdown on Ascension Island in the south Atlantic amid speculation that the island could be used as a staging post in Britain's plans to recapture the Falklands.

The island's airstrip is to be restricted to authorized traffic and crews from visiting yachts would no longer be able to come ashore.

Ascension, a tiny volcanic outcrop, lies 5,600 kilometres from the Falkland Islands and is within range for transport planes, though they would have to land and refuel

before returning. It is out of the flying range of combat aircraft.

The resignations of Carrington and his senior aides came as no surprise. Parliamentarians, including a majority of Thatcher's Conservative backers, called for heads to roll during a stormy Commons debate on Saturday — the first weekend sitting since the ill-fated Suez campaign of 1956.

Most of the anger fell upon Nott as he struggled to explain why Britain had not foreseen Argentina's moves to enforce its 19th-century claim to the Falklands.

The cry for resignations did not abate over the weekend and yesterday Carrington told Thatcher that, while he felt much of the criticism unfounded, he thought it right to go because he was responsible for the conduct of foreign policy, and "the invasion... has been a humiliating affront to this country."

The Premier accepted his resignation with reluctance after trying to dissuade him from his decision. (AP/Reuters)

### FARMERS' STRIKE

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already approved the funds for the programme.

Specifically, the official said that a plan for providing working capital to farmers producing for the local market was almost ready; but he would not give details.

The official admitted that it was difficult for farmers to make money at a time of 130 per cent annual inflation, but he maintained there was room for improvement in methods and efficiency.

He had harsh words for some of the farming organizations, noting that some moshavim purchasing bodies charged only one per cent for overhead, whereas the less efficient ones charge as much as nine per cent.

The ministry could not possibly assist all the moshavim, he noted, hence it had been decided to help out the 30 worst cases. IS300 million had already been allocated and it would be given to farmers, "who are prepared to work hard and obey our rules."

The Agricultural Centre's Sa'adi

said that the ministry was behaving like a "social welfare" ministry. His people were not looking for handouts, but for a "strong agricultural policy."

He rejected the idea of assisting only the 30 worst-case moshavim. All farmers in trouble had to be helped, he insisted, otherwise it would cost the government more in the long run.

The ministry and the centre also disagreed over the best way to tackle the problem of exports. The ministry official pointed out that Europe, Israel's main customer, was currently suffering from a recession and could not buy all Israel's produce. Nevertheless, the local market had become saturated and hence there was no alternative to increasing exports.

He pointed out that one third of Israel's farmers were making money from exports, even now. The remaining two-thirds would have to be taught to be equally efficient. He admitted that until this could be achieved, there would be a need for government assistance.

### Habash's PFLP says it carried out Gaza attack

BEIRUT (AP). — George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) yesterday claimed responsibility for the grenade attack that injured seven Israelis in the Gaza Strip on Sunday.

This was the second grenade attack in the Gaza Strip in 10 days. One Israeli soldier was killed in the first attack, for which Naef Hawatmeh's Democratic Front for

the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) has claimed responsibility.

Both these groups, constituent factions of the PLO, have been urging an abrogation of the eight-month-old cease-fire in South Lebanon. PLO chairman Yasser Arafat has repeatedly said he will respect the cease-fire, adding he is confident he can ensure that all Palestinian forces continue to observe it.

### Yamit diehards hope for big influx during Pessah

By MOTTI BEN-YANAI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

YAMIT — The Stop the Withdrawal in Sinai movement hopes to increase its strength here from an estimated 3,000 to 10,000 over the Pessah holiday.

Defence Minister Ariel Sharon met with movement leaders on Sunday, and promised the army would not evict the movement activists before Pessah. But he proposed they should undertake not to bring in more supporters.

This was rejected by movement leaders, and now thousands are expected for the various seder meals on Wednesday; it is anticipated that thousands more will arrive during the seven days of the holiday.

IDF soldiers have been forbidden to attend any of the seder meals.

The army has stepped up its guard on the town's installations, following last week's looting. All vehicles leaving the Yamit area are being carefully searched at the army checkpoints.

Some students at the IDF *heder* yeshiva in Yamit are defying the orders of their principal, Rabbi Ya'acov Ariel and are taking part in anti-withdrawal activities. (The principal is the brother of Yamit Rabbi Yisrael Ariel, who has been charged with inciting soldiers to disobey orders.)

They have reportedly barricaded their living quarters and are preparing to resist evacuation. The majority of the *heder* yeshiva students (who are in fact soldiers) are expected to leave Yamit as soon as they are ordered to do so.

### U.S. trying to calm Israel

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON — The U.S. yesterday condemned in the strongest possible terms the Paris assassination of Israeli diplomat Yaacov Bar-Simantov.

But State Department spokesman Dean Fischer said that the U.S. has "no information on the group claiming responsibility for the killing."

In response to a question, Fischer strongly hinted — without saying so specifically — that the assassination was not a violation of Israel's cease-fire agreement with the PLO concluded last July.

"What we have said in the past is that the cessation of hostilities pertains to all hostile military activity from Lebanon into Israel and vice-versa," he explained.

He refused to say whether the assassination would have been regarded as violation of the agreement even if it had originated or been planned in Lebanon.

In any case, apprehensive U.S. officials are trying to calm Israel in the wake of the assassination, hoping that Israel will not take any immediate drastic retaliatory action which might unravel the cease-fire.

### SHAMIR

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ble for Bar-Simantov's murder, and that "the government of Israel will hold the instigators, the perpetrators and the abettors of this crime responsible and answerable for their deeds."

Bar-Simantov was buried with military honours yesterday, with the heads of the Foreign Ministry and French Ambassador Marc Bonafant joining the bereaved family and friends.

Shamir said that "the bullets which struck down our brother Ya'acov were aimed at the heart of the people of Israel, at the heart of each and every one of us."

"The people of Israel today have a state of their own and a defence force. We will activate that force to smash the terror organizations: their heads, their leaders, their headquarters and their bases — wherever we find them. We shall strike them without ceasing, for we have decided to live, and to live in peace."

At the graveside ceremony the

IDF Chief Chaplain Aluf Gad Navon recited psalms, and the chief IDF cantor chanted the prayer for the dead. Bar-Simantov's father and the slain diplomat's sons Avi and Rafi recited *kaddish*.

Several thousand French Jews and non-Jews demonstrated in central Paris yesterday demanding closure of the PLO offices there, police said. The demonstrators tried to march to the PLO offices, but a heavy cordon of riot police held them back.

### Syria holds maneuvers

DAMASCUS (AP). — The Syrian army and air force conducted large-scale war exercises yesterday designed to bolster the combat readiness of Syria's armed forces, the official Syrian news agency, Sana, reported.

Syrian troops staged joint military exercises with Soviet naval troops last July. It was the first official announcement of military exercises held in Syria since then.

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Grandchildren, Danny, Ilana and Gadi Shoham

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PAUL HAAG

The funeral will take place today, Tuesday, April 6, 1982, leaving at 2.30 p.m. from the Municipal Funeral Parlour, 5 Rehov Dafna, Tel Aviv, for the Southern Cemetery on the Holon — Bat Yam boundary.

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### The National Opening of Martyrs and Heroes Memorial Day

In the presence of the President of the State  
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Israel Airports Authority

### Announcement to Air Passengers to Egypt

The Neot Sinai passenger and freight terminal will operate during April in accordance with the following timetable:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7,  
THURSDAY, APRIL 8,  
FRIDAY, APRIL 11.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14,  
THURSDAY, APRIL 15,  
MONDAY, APRIL 19,

eve of the Passover festival, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.  
Passover festival, the terminal will be closed.  
the terminal will open at 8 a.m. and operate on all the intermediate days of Passover between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. each day.  
the eve of the seventh day of Passover, the terminal will operate from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
seventh day of Passover, the terminal will be closed.  
the terminal will operate from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
the terminal will be closed on the Moslem Spring Festival.



## Pessah cleanup ends today

By JUDY SIEGEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The massive Pessah cleaning effort that began in many homes weeks ago will culminate this evening with the traditional search for leaven with the help of a candle and a feather.

Like most householders, the Jerusalem Municipality is working overtime to clean up the city in time for the holiday. Working in double shifts, sanitation workers are going over public areas by hand and in mechanical sweepers, and collecting bulky discarded items by telephone appointment. Special emphasis is being given to the Mahaneh Yehuda, Mea Shearim and Bikharon Quarter open-air markets.

According to the rabbis, leaven may be eaten until 9.02 tomorrow morning, and leftover leaven must be burnt by 10.21 a.m. tomorrow.

Leaven that will not be burnt in Jerusalem will be sold collectively and symbolically by the city's Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Bezalel Zolti, to Bill Martens, the non-Jewish manager of the Jerusalem Plaza Hotel.

IDF rabbinical units are completing the immense job of making kitchens and pots kosher for Pessah. The seder will be conducted wherever soldiers are stationed, and individual seder kits are being distributed to those who cannot take part in group ceremonies.

Thousands of new immigrants have been invited to 28 sedarim being organized by the Jewish Agency and the Absorption Ministry. Some of them will be held in army camps in the company of soldiers, while others will take place in religious kibbutzim.

Free Pessah walking tours in Jerusalem's Old City will be organized from Thursday. The three-hour tours leave from the Jaffa Gate at 8.30 a.m. and 2.15 p.m., with explanations in Hebrew and English.

The Old City will be closed to vehicular traffic during the intermediate days of Pessah, except for public transport and cars owned by Old City residents.

The security authorities urge the public to be especially wary of suspicious objects left in public areas during the holiday and to report them immediately to the police.

The Egged spokesman said that extra buses would run on Wednesday and Sunday. He said there will be twice as many buses going to and from Jerusalem, three times as many buses going to the Galilee and twice as many buses going to the Negev and Eilat. Those going to Eilat should reserve a seat in advance.

### OPEN DURING PESSAH

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Three-year-old Sarit of Jerusalem yesterday takes a pre-Pessah bite of a matza shmurah (matza especially prepared for the very strictly observant). (Elihu Harari)

## Rebbe delivers 4-hour birthday talk

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hundreds of Habad hassidim are returning home from New York with matza from the Lubavitcher Rebbe Menachem Schneerson, whose 80th birthday they celebrated this week.

Lubavitch headquarters in Brooklyn's Eastern Parkway neighbourhood was crowded for several blocks around by thousands of hassidim and supporters of the Habad movement.

President Ronald Reagan declared a "Day of Meditation" in

honour of the rebbe's birthday. He also sent a personal letter to Rabbi Schneerson congratulating him on the occasion and praising his "great contribution to international understanding." Habad hassidim have been invited to the White House next week to sing Pessah songs at the initiative of New York producer Joseph Papp.

The rebbe yesterday delivered a four-hour message to his followers, which was broadcast live by phone to Habad centres in Israel and around the world.

## Court orders TV staff back to work

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The National Labour Court yesterday ruled in favour of an appeal by the Broadcasting Authority and ordered TV cameramen and technicians to resume normal work.

The national court, headed by Zvi Bar-niv, issued a temporary restraining order against sanctions by authority staffers, and referred the dispute back to the Jerusalem labour court.

Technicians and cameramen have been refusing to go out into the field until the authority grants them life insurance for working in dangerous areas. The national court ruled that since the Histadrut had

told the staffers to go back to work, and since TV director Tuvia Sa'ar had promised to bolster security measures for TV teams in dangerous areas, the appeal by authority management should be accepted.

Meanwhile, a truncated *Mabat* newscast was broadcast again last night, while negotiations between the Jerusalem Journalists Association and the authority's board of directors began yesterday evening. The journalists are upset by the cancellation of the *Almost Midnight* news programme for "budgetary considerations" and what they claim are "poor conditions" in the news department.

## Stop TV interference, Israel tells Jordan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Communications Ministry has complained to international communications authorities against Jordan, which recently started

broadcasting on UHF channel 57 and interfering with Israeli broadcasts on the same channel.

Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori said during a tour of Jordan Rift settlements yesterday that if Jordan does not cease using the channel, Israel would take "similar steps" against Jordan.

As a result of the interference, TV reception in the Jordan Rift and other areas has been adversely affected.

Jordan is well aware that Israel is using Channel 57, Zipori said. According to international agreements, a channel already in use cannot be used by a neighbouring broadcast system.

### Correction

Young visitors to the "Children's Land" event at the Tel Aviv fairgrounds during Pessah will be able to get a dog or cat from the S.O.S. animal welfare society — but only if their parents agree to it and make a contribution to the society. It was incorrectly reported yesterday that pets would be given away on demand. The society will only place them in homes where they are likely to get proper care.

## 'Modest' burial agreed upon for Bar-Kochba warriors

By BENNY MORRIS  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The state funeral for the remains of the Bar-Kochba warriors found in Nahal Hever in 1960 by archeologists is likely to be held as planned on May 11, Lag Ba'omer, following agreement by Minister Without Portfolio Yitzhak Moda'i to a compromise formula proposed by Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren for a "modest" interment ceremony.

Goren had initially proposed a full-scale state ceremony, with the participation of thousands of Gdina youth and several companies of IDF soldiers, beside remains of the Roman siege camp above the Cave of Letters on Har Hever. Prime Minister Menachem Begin had agreed to this in writing and reiterated his support subsequently.

But Moda'i, the chairman of the ministerial committee for symbols and ceremonies, last week wrote to Begin asking him to reconsider his decision, in the light of the expense that Goren's plan would involve, including the paving of a road to the Har Hever site. Moda'i suggested that the burial take place on the Mount of Olives.

Late Sunday night, however, Goren spoke with Moda'i and suggested that the ceremony — and the expenses — could be pared down

but that Nahal Hever should be the venue. According to Goren, Moda'i agreed.

The new proposal will involve no excavation of a new burial pit but re-interment of the remains of the 19 skeletons discovered by Professor Yigael Yadin in the Cave of Letters, where they were found. As access to the cave is difficult, the IDF will prepare the necessary ropes and railings, perhaps with the aid of a helicopter.

Goren also hopes that some of the bones found during the same 1960 expedition in the Cave of Horrors, which have since been mislaid, will be found in time, and will also be buried in the cave where they were found, in the southern cliff of Nahal Hever.

"We agreed to a modest ceremony," said Goren, referring to the pining down of the IDF contingent.

Goren said that his insistence on Nahal Hever is rooted in the *halacha*, (Jewish religious law) which gives preference to burial at the site of death.

Goren noted that the late Premier David Ben-Gurion agreed in 1960 that the burial should be in Nahal Hever. Ben-Gurion believed that this would serve to draw settlers and visitors to the Judean Desert, he said.

## Naor storms out of hearing, says he was maligned

Former cabinet secretary Arye Naor disrupted disciplinary proceedings against him yesterday when he stormed out of the hearing room in protest over a charge that he had written a letter "with corrupt intent."

Naor is being tried by a Civil Service court for allegedly leaking sensitive information to columnist cartoonist Raanan Lurie.

Naor's attorney, Yehzekel Beinisch, introduced a letter from the Shin Bet (security services) attesting that it had not investigated the charges against Naor, as Lurie had alleged.

The incident began when District Attorney Michael Kirsh said that a letter by Naor to the Axel Springer organization in West Germany, about his connections with Lurie, had been written "with corrupt intent."

Naor then stormed out of the room, slamming the door, and saying, "It's beneath my dignity to respond to this." Beinisch immediately apologized to the startled judges, but then Naor returned saying "It's one thing to hear lies from Lurie, but from a government official as well."

Court president Yoel Aloni explained to Naor that the fact that he was being tried meant that there were questions about his behaviour. Naor persisted: "I know that the district attorney thinks otherwise. I intend to take certain steps... I protest the expression 'corrupt intent.'"

Beinisch: "I apologize on behalf of Naor and request that the matter be regarded as closed."

Judge Shlomo Guberman: "This amounts to an affront to the court and an apology won't suffice. We can't carry out our job in this atmosphere of insults."

Calm was eventually restored and the hearing continued. (Itim)

## Sheba Hospital opens new lab centre today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL HASHOMER. — A new building which will bring together most of Sheba Hospital's laboratory facilities will be dedicated today in honour of donors Julius and Ruth Rosenblum of New York.

Until now, the laboratories have been housed in old buildings scattered around the hospital grounds. Among the labs which will move to the new building are the National Virology Laboratory and the hospital's central toxicological and pharmacological labs.

The \$400,000 prize was awarded yesterday at a ceremony in Jerusalem's Cinematheque by Trade and Industry Minister Gideon Patt.

The second prize, consisting of \$200,000, was divided between two films, *Noa at 17* by Yitzhak Yeshurun and *A Thousand Little Kisses* by Mira Recanat.

El Al inaugurates Los Angeles charter

TEL AVIV. — An El Al Boeing, carrying over 400 passengers from Los Angeles, will touch down at Ben-Gurion Airport today. It is the first in a series of seven fortnightly charter flights El Al has arranged with the Los Angeles tourist firm of Charles Debby, an airline spokesman said yesterday.

## 'Mankind 2000' parley winds up

## Humanity has little time to fend off disaster

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The international "Mankind 2000" conference at Haifa University was concluded yesterday without a manifesto, but with broad agreement that mankind has little time left to reverse the current processes of despoliation, population explosion, social breakup and inequality, in order to avoid catastrophe.

Education was seen by participants as the great hope and all educated men and women from every discipline should feel bound to share in the search for solutions for the world's increasingly complex problems.

The last lecture yesterday morning by Holocaust writer Elie Wiesel moved the 20 participants from six countries to a stunned silence that lasted for a full 10 minutes broken only by sobbing.

Wiesel expressed the fear that mankind had embarked on a course of self-destruction. Human language, the means of holding mankind together, had been rudely violated in Auschwitz "and he who harms language harms life itself."

People were described by the Germans as objects, human names

became numbers and murder itself was described as a "Final Solution." Haifa University Professor Shlomo Breznitz, who initiated and organized the conference, said the participants had no illusions. "We see no single solution but we believe our image of the future will influence it," he said.

At a press conference to mark the end of the eight-day meeting, Swedish Professor Lennart Levi said education, population-growth, health and food were all inter-related problems that, with slight variations, faced both the developed and developing nations.

The latter must not repeat the mistakes of the former, but must try to learn from them. He stressed the need for parental care and education of children for the future, suggesting that both parents might in future work only part-time during their children's formative years, drawing full wages, and making up for it later.

Cybernetics Professor Stafford Beer warned that man's massive intervention in the environment was potentially disastrous "and some quite trivial and unexpected act," not only nuclear war, might cause collapse and catastrophe.

## Court to decide if hospital strike is legal

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Health Ministry representatives are expected to claim today before the Jerusalem Labour Court that the planned strike by 12,000 government hospital workers is illegal because the workers did not declare a labour dispute 14 days before striking, as required by law.

The workers had planned to strike yesterday morning over the dismissal of 600 temporary workers who, the ministry said, had been hired to answer a seasonal need.

However, the National Labour Court late Sunday night issued a 48-hour injunction against the strike on the grounds that it would endanger human life. At the same time the court forbade the Health Ministry to fire any more workers pending today's hearing.

Admitting the dispute had not been declared officially, union leader Ronnie Shalem said that numerous letters and telegrams were sent to the Health Ministry, warning it of severe consequences if the ministry continued to refuse to discuss the firing of workers.

Shalem said dismissing 600 workers contradicts many public and private assurances by ministry officials, particularly by Minister Eliezer Shostak.

## 10,000 visitors at Volcani anniversary

By YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

RISHON LEZION. — The Agricultural Research Institute at Volcani centre, the country's oldest, celebrated its 60th birthday by opening the institution to the public yesterday.

The "open day" attracted over 10,000 persons, farmers, scientists, townsmen and tourists. Visitors were free to walk around the campus visiting the different departments, talk with the scientists, technicians and workers and see some of the latest developments of Israel's agriculture research.

The biggest queues were at the flower department, where flowers that will reach the markets only in another three to 10 years could be viewed. Another big attraction was the department of fruit trees. Here visitors were able to see some of the tropical and sub-tropical fruit being introduced into the country.

## Israel, Egypt sign pact on police cooperation

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem and Egypt last week signed an agreement which allows the police forces of both countries to cooperate in issues relating to inter-pol, anti-smuggling operations, and to hold routine meetings on all levels.

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## World urges restraint on Britain, Argentina

LONDON (Reuters). — East and West Bloc countries yesterday urged Britain and Argentina to settle the Falklands crisis peacefully, as a large British fleet sailed for the South Atlantic islands which Argentina seized last Friday.

New Zealand broke off diplomatic relations with Argentina's military rulers and French Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy said Britain had been put in an intolerable situation.

Among communist countries, China said neither side should aggravate the dispute and the Soviet Union's attitude was guardedly even-handed.

Moscow and Peking abstained when the UN Security Council condemned Argentina's invasion of the islands, which Britain has ruled for 150 years.

The crisis helped to boost the price of gold and hit the value of the

pound sterling internationally.

In Brussels, NATO sources voiced concern that the sending of the British Armada might leave a gap in the defences of the western alliance, although none of the warships involved is assigned to NATO. Britain provides about 70 per cent of NATO vessels in the eastern Atlantic.

New Zealand told the Argentine ambassador to leave the country within seven days and Prime Minister Robert Muldoon accused Buenos Aires of "an act of naked aggression."

Australia's Acting Foreign Minister Michael MacKellar summoned the Argentine ambassador for a meeting which officials said was "short, sharp and forthright." Argentina was urged to obey the Security Council order to withdraw its forces from the Falklands and negotiate.

## Thousands flee from Mexican volcano

PICHUCALCO, Mexico (AP). — Thousands of people were crowding into shelters as the government began evacuating villages after El Chichonal volcano's weekend burst of hot sand, ash and rock.

The volcano has claimed 21 lives since it became active on March 29, Defence Minister Felix Galvan Lopez said. At least 500 others have been injured.

Officials said they may try to reach people who have been stranded for a week in settlements on the slopes of the volcano.

"If the ashes permit, a group of paratroopers will try to jump to them with food," Rigoberto Garcia, chief of the Chiapas State Medical Services, said.

He could not say if the people could still be alive. Many of the tired, hungry refugees were women and children, whose homes collapsed under the weight of the volcanic debris.

In this city of 13,000, 35 kilometres from the volcano, local police used loudspeakers to urge people to remain in their homes and give priority to those who came here from outlying areas seeking shelter and food.

"For now we cannot move the inhabitants out of Pichucalco, we do not have anywhere to take them," Galvan Lopez said.

Soldiers evacuated Ixtacomitan, a town of 6,300, where the latest eruption destroyed the church and partially buried 70 per cent of the homes, nearly all of them built with only thin metal or thatched roofs.

In two other locations, volcanoes erupted without anyone being hurt. Mount St. Helens in Washington state erupted twice on Sunday night without warning, and across the world in Indonesia, a west Java volcano spilled lava and threw up a thick cloud of dust. A source in Bandung said thousands of villagers living near the volcano had been evacuated to nearby towns.

## Ultra-rightist new legislator assassinated in El Salvador

SAN SALVADOR (AP). — An ultra-rightist member of El Salvador's new constituent assembly from a party linked to right-wing "death squads" was assassinated on the outskirts of San Salvador in an area favoured by rightist killers.

David Joaquin Quinteros, a member of retired Maj. Roberto D'Aubuisson's Republican Nationalist Alliance (ARENA), was found on Sunday in a garbage dump in Mariona, the site of a prison where suspected leftist rebels are held. He had been shot three times in the head and once in the neck and died in a hospital several hours later.

D'Aubuisson, whose party ran second in the assembly elections March 28, said Quinteros and his brother-in-law, Marco Tulio Aguilar, were kidnapped in San Salvador, taken to Mariona and shot. He said the brother-in-law survived three bullet wounds, but was in critical condition.

"We are not accusing anyone yet," said D'Aubuisson, "...but if this is the way they plan to stop sovereign will, ... they will not be able to do it."

He demanded that members of the U.S.-backed president, Jose Napoleon Duarte's military-civilian

junta "in their last and crucial days ... make all possible effort in their power to stop such incidents."

The death of Quinteros will not reduce ARENA's holding of 19 seats in the assembly, since an alternate for each of the 60 deputies was named from his party. Although Duarte's centrist Christian Democrats won a plurality and 24 seats, four rightist parties won the other 36 seats, and D'Aubuisson is trying to form a coalition.

The assembly will name a new government to replace the junta and write a new constitution. Election officials said the deputies would receive their credentials after Easter, and the assembly is not expected to meet before April 20.

In other violence, three part-time security guards were found shot in the head, with their hands tied behind them, at a San Salvador shopping centre.

The leftist rebels' radio Venceremos reported two guerrilla attacks in Morazan province, a rebel stronghold in the northeast part of the country. The targets were the airstrip at San Francisco Gotera, the provincial capital, and a military post at Jicoaitique, but the results of the attacks were not reported.

## Castro says Cuba prepared to meet 'threat' from U.S.

HAVANA (Reuters). — President Fidel Castro said on Sunday night that Cuba was importing more weapons to face what he described as threats from Washington.

"We have been working arduously and quietly for many weeks to maximize our defence capabilities," he said. "We have taken measures and organized plans to resist a total blockade, military actions or surprise attacks."

Cuba was ready to work for a negotiated political settlement for El Salvador and the rest of the region, he said. Castro noted that President Jose Lopez Portillo of

Mexico had taken an initiative in calling for contacts between the U.S. and Nicaragua and between the U.S. and Cuba.

"We have not rejected these proposals, but it does not depend on us or the Nicaraguan or Salvadorean revolutionaries, but rather on the United States," he said.

Castro accused the Reagan administration of trying to create problems for Cuba by putting strong pressure on Western nations to curb their financial and commercial relations with it.

## Official says Brezhnev went 'on holiday'

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet Foreign Ministry announced yesterday that Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev "is on his regular winter vacation."

A ministry spokesman made the statement in response to a reporter's question on western reports that Brezhnev had fallen ill and might be replaced as leader of the Soviet government and Communist Party. He has not been seen publicly since March 2.

The spokesman refused to say where Brezhnev is staying, when he began his holiday, or how long he would be gone. Foreign Ministry officials have refused to answer previous questions on the health or whereabouts of members of the 13-man ruling Politburo, and government statements of this type are rare.

## Challenger to Fraser steps forward

CANBERRA (Reuters). — Former foreign minister Andrew Peacock said yesterday he was confident of defeating Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser in Thursday's vote on the leadership of Australia's ruling Liberal Party.

Peacock said he was expecting the support of 41 of the 81 Liberal members of parliament — the number of votes needed to overthrow Fraser at the special meeting of the parliamentary party, which was called by the prime minister.

Peacock's challenge, the most dangerous faced by Fraser in his six years as prime minister, follows a disastrous election defeat for the Liberals in the southern state of Victoria at the weekend.

## Nine boycott OAU talks over Polisario presence

SALISBURY (Reuters). — Nine countries boycotted an Organization of African Unity (OAU) Labour ministers' conference in Salisbury yesterday in protest against the presence of the Algerian-backed Polisario Front.

## Sports

### Shlomo, Borg win 1st round

Post Sports Staff

Shlomo Glickstein got off to an impressive start in the \$300,000 Monte Carlo Grand Prix Tennis Tournament by vanquishing Andrei Maurer, of West Germany, ranked 52 according to the ATP computer — 6-3, 6-3. The man who successfully made his way through the qualifying rounds, Bjorn Borg, won his first round match against Fernando Luna of Spain, 6-4, 6-3. Heinz Gunthart defeated Andres Gomez of Ecuador, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4.

In Zurich, unseeded Bill Scanlon upset Vlas Gerulaitis 7-5, 6-1, 6-0, 6-4, to take the finals of the WCT tournament. Scanlon won the first two hotly contested sets, but then faded before a storming comeback by Gerulaitis. Then Scanlon recovered his nerve, and went on to achieve one of the surprises of the season, winning \$100,000 by doing so.

In Nice, there was another, though less remarkable, surprise. Balazs Taroczy, of Hungary, seeded second, beat Yannick Noah, of France, the number one seed, 6-2, 3-6, 13-11 in a great match that lasted more than three hours. Noah managed to stave off match point three times, and saved five break points, but he was too erratic to withstand Taroczy's classic tennis.

The women's tournament in Palm Beach went according to the form book. Chris Evert Lloyd, playing on her favourite surface, clay, within commuting distance of her home, blasted a pair of aces to round off a 6-1, 7-5 victory over Andrea Jaeger. Lloyd drove home with a cheque for \$80,000 in her pocket-book and a \$9,000 watch on her wrist.

Evonne Coolidge Cawley, on the comeback trail, proved that she is going to be a power in women's tennis this year by beating Hana Mandlikova 6-2, 6-2. She also got into the finals of the doubles, partnered by Betty Stove, but the pair lost to Rosie Casals and Wendy Turnbull 6-1, 7-6.

## Pessah tourney starts today

By JACK LEON  
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Israel Tennis Association's traditional Pessah National Junior Championships get under way at 8 a.m. today, after three days of rain-interrupted preliminary competitions. The meet, sponsored by the Israel Discount Bank, is being held at Ramat Hasharon's Israel Tennis Centre courts through April 13.

A total of 400 boys and girls are competing in these under-18 championships, divided equally between qualifiers and direct entries. Twice that number of players participated in the preliminaries, which took place at Kiryat Ha-Tennis in Hader Yosef, and at the ITC courts at both Ramat Hasharon and Jaffa.

The association's annual Pessah Tournament for adults begins this week-end, with preliminaries at Hader Yosef and Tel Aviv's Hapoel and Maccabi Tzafon courts.

The main meet will be held from April 10 to 14 at the Dan Accadia in Herzliya, to mark the opening of a luxurious new clubhouse at the six-court facility there. The entry includes Shlomo Glickstein and Shahar Perlia, who should find the event a useful warm-up for Israel's tennis international against France at Ramat Hasharon on April 16 and 17.

With the tennis facility completed, the Accadia now plans to build six squash courts and an indoor swimming-pool on an area adjacent to the tennis club, Dan hotels spokesman Arnold Epstein told *The Jerusalem Post* this week.

## Bird grabs ball

NEW YORK (AP). — For the Boston Celtics, good things come in threes. They're on a three-game winning streak and three more victories will guarantee them the best record in the National Basketball Association this season. They squeezed past Chicago 114-112 on Sunday, leaving the Bulls one loss away from playoff elimination.

Despite the closeness of the score, Larry Bird said there was no doubt in his mind that the Celtics had a lock on the game — especially after grabbing the rebound with three seconds remaining that sealed the victory. Bird had 20 points, including eight of Boston's final 16 points, when Ricky Sobers intentionally missed a free throw, hoping the Bulls would get the rebound and put in the tying basket. Bird got it instead.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Houston 95, San Antonio 93; Seattle 140, Denver 116; Los Angeles 129, Portland 111; Milwaukee 129, Indiana 115; New Jersey 119, Cleveland 109; Phoenix 104, Kansas City 95; and Philadelphia 127, New York 106.

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THE ARAB-ISRAELI conflict has overflowed into the American-Christian community as a concerted attempt by the PLO to enlist the support of clergymen has resulted in a nationwide debate. On one side are Liberal Protestant clergymen, tending to adopt a more pro-Arab position; on the other, conservative fundamentalist leaders are emerging as the element most supportive of Israel.

In what is swiftly becoming a PLO test case, the enticement of a group of Seattle clergymen to Lebanon, all expenses paid, has sparked a bitter controversy between the two camps.

The controversy has also created tensions between the Jewish community and the liberal Protestants in Seattle, and weakened the already deteriorating relations between the two groups. But at the same time it has improved the ties with the fundamentalist church groups, whose support for Israel has grown in recent years.

The "Seattle controversy" should not be seen as an isolated phenomenon but as part of the complicated relationship that has been developing between Israel and the American Jewish community and the two major American church groups.

On the left are the liberal Protestant churches, which constitute the backbone of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S. (NCC), a long-time ally of the American Jewish community on most domestic issues but a "Third Worldist" group when it comes to foreign policy matters.

The liberal Protestant churches, which represent about 32 million constituents and include among others Presbyterians, Episcopalians and United Methodists, were the first to include studies on anti-Semitism in their religious textbooks during the '40s and '50s. They vocated separation of Church and State and encouraged political justice for minority groups — positions shared by most Jews in America. During the '60s Jews and liberal Protestants found themselves allied in the civil rights struggle in the South and in the anti-Vietnam War movement.

However, even in that period American Jews noticed disturbing signs when it came to the attitude towards the Jewish state. Thus, on the eve of the 1967 war, the NCC refused to issue a statement in support of Israel.

In the late '60s, a "Third Worldist" or "liberationist" ideology began to gain strength among the leadership of some of the liberal Protestant churches. "Liberationist" activists in the American churches and in the World Council of Churches (the Geneva-based international federation of liberal Protestant churches) began to champion the cause of Third World countries and "national liberation movements." Not surprisingly, they perceived Israel as a "racist" and "imperialist" state.

Another important development was the influence in the NCC of the Arab churches, such as the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America and the Syrian Church of Antioch, both controlled by pro-Syrian Arab clergymen.

This reflected the traditional involvement of liberal Protestant churches in philanthropy and missionary activity in the Arab world, which led to the emergence of a large professional group sympathetic to Arab views and occupying central positions in the Middle Eastern departments of several denominations.

The general pro-Arab tilt of the NCC became clear in 1980 when, following a fact-finding trip to the Middle East, the Protestant leaders passed a resolution calling for negotiations between Israel and the PLO.

At the same time, the American Jewish leadership was confronted with a new fundamentalist Christian power propagating a politically right-wing evangelism, which supports Israel unconditionally but whose views on domestic issues are perceived by many Jews as a major threat to their future. Reform Rabbi Alexander Schindler went as far as

asserting that "they seek to Christianize America and make this a republic ruled by Christ. They are scarcely democratic and threaten to destroy the freedoms which Jews enjoyed in the last decades with their test of political religious purity."

IN THE MID-'60s, the Evangelical Church, which today has a membership of more than 50 million was able to open channels to Israel and through it to the American Jewish community. Among the main pro-Israel figures was Rev. Dr. Billy Graham, who had open access to the White House during the Johnson and Nixon administrations. He acted as a pro-Israel lobbyist in many instances and also became a good friend of Golda Meir, who during the Yom Kippur War asked him to use his influence to get the administration to send arms to Israel.

Today, one of the most pro-Israel groups in the Christian right confederation is the Moral Majority, headed by the Rev. Dr. Jerry Falwell, a staunch supporter of Israel and a close friend of Begin's. From his church in Lynchburg, Virginia, Falwell advances on the Zionist cause on his weekly programme, "The Old Times Gospel Hour," which is carried by 700 radio and television stations in the U.S. and around the world.

In an interview with the *Jewish Press*, Falwell explained that "God deals with all nations in relation to how those nations deal with Israel," and that "there is no question, but that Judea and Samaria should be part of Israel." America "should be without hesitation giving total financial and military support for Israel," he stressed.

THE SEATTLE Controversy erupted two months ago, when Eric Nalder, a reporter for the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* revealed that the PLO, through two front organizations — the Beirut-based "Palestine Research Centre" and "Institute for Palestinian Studies" — was sponsoring a week-long tour of Lebanon for six Seattle clergymen.

The trip was arranged by two American citizens born in the Middle East: Fawzi Khoury, a Lebanese Christian who runs the Middle-Eastern library at the University of Washington; and Farhat Ziadah, a Palestinian from the West Bank who is now chairman of the same university's department of Near Eastern languages and literature.

Although both claimed to know nothing about a "PLO connection," they admitted that the airline tickets for the group were provided by the two PLO-controlled "research" institutions. The members of the liberal Protestant group, confirmed that they knew the trip was PLO-sponsored, but had no personal or political objections to this.

"I hope to gain a better understanding of the conflict in that part of the world as seen from all points of view," said one of them.

Rev. Rodney Romney, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Seattle, in a column he wrote for the church's journal, argued that, "it is understandable that the Palestinians would despise Zionism, [which] evicted them from their homeland and 'usurped their rights.'"

Another member of the group, Rev. William Cate, head of the Church Council of Greater Seattle, said that "just because we are going to listen to them doesn't mean we are going to endorse the PLO." He added that the American Jewish committee (AJC) picked up part of the tab for the trip he took to the Middle East five years ago.

The Seattle-based *Journal American* stated in an editorial that if American Jewish organizations were going to "offer free trips to opinion makers, then they have little basis for complaint when the PLO does the same thing."

"IF THEY GO on a trip like this one they must go with their eyes open and be aware of the dangers involved and the fact that the PLO has used groups like this in the past for its own benefit," complained Arthur Abramson, director of the

## PLO WOOS U.S. CHRISTIANS

By LEON HADAR / Post New York Correspondent

Seattle chapter of the AJC. Like other Jewish leaders, he expressed dismay over the attempts to equate a sponsorship of such a trip by a terrorist organization with other bona fide organizations. He declared that the AJC, like other Jewish organizations, never subsidized trips by groups of clergy to the Middle East, and that included Cate's earlier trip to the region.

The public outcry against the trip from the various Jewish organizations led two of the scheduled visitors of the group to drop out.

However the journey of what in the event proved to be a group of five clergymen turned into a major pro-PLO campaign. A local television news crew, headed by Priscilla Collins, chairwoman of King Broadcasting, and commentator Floyd McKay, accompanied the pastors and sent back a story about the visit each evening. The team which rejected financial aid from the PLO

and made the trip independently, also interviewed Arafat and filmed Palestinian refugee camps for a programme which will be aired soon. On her return home, Collins blasted the American media for its "pro-Israeli coverage."

THE FIVE clergymen returned from the trip with praise for the PLO, telling reporters that they were "touched" by what they learned during their meetings with Arafat, Palestinian orphans, hospital workers and soldiers in Lebanon, and by their visits to Palestinian refugee camps in Southern Lebanon.

"I feel a strong sense of commitment to work in any way I can for the cause of justice for the Palestinian people," said Romney of the First Baptist Church, who before leaving for Lebanon had invited Rabbi James Mirel of Temple De Hirsch in Seattle to address his con-

gregation during a Sunday morning service.

Romney also said that the pistol-packing Arafat impressed him as "a magnetic leader with an electrifying personality," adding: "I can't think of any time I've met anyone so completely dedicated to a cause."

Rev. William Cate, the leader of the group, said that at a dinner in "a large building somewhere in Beirut," Arafat was "open, congenial, and spoke frankly in excellent English of his hopes and aspirations for his people."

Cate stressed that this trip convinced him that "peace will not come to the area until the Palestinian people feel that they have received justice" and that "the PLO is the legitimate political representative of the Palestinian people." The trip, he said, confirmed his suspicions that the American media isn't telling the whole story of the Middle East war. "We have seen

the other side of the story."

Rev. Glenn, another participant in the trip, said that his principal impression of Arafat was that "here was a man who seems almost empty of the arrogance, the power, that characterizes so many leaders."

He said that the Palestinian leader "didn't talk about driving the Israelis into the sea. He talked about a negotiated settlement, because he realized Israel's military power."

THE TRIP could have turned into a major PLO victory had it not been for a group of Evangelical ministers who put all their political weight behind a counter, pro-Israeli campaign initiated by the Seattle Jewish community. Immediately following the return of the liberal clergymen, a press conference was organized by eight conservative fundamentalist leaders, most of whom belong to Tav Evangelical Ministries. The Sacramento-based Tav, the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet, symbolizes the end of the world. At the conference they described the PLO as "the world's most ruthless terrorist band," and blasted the liberal ministers for using PLO money for the trip.

"We want the Seattle general area to understand that these five Christian ministers do not represent the Seattle area churches," said Douglas Shearer, a painting con-

tractor from Sacramento.

The group even purchased a large advertisement in the *Seattle Times*, with a long list of endorsers — it included leading Evangelical clergymen from California to British Columbia in Canada.

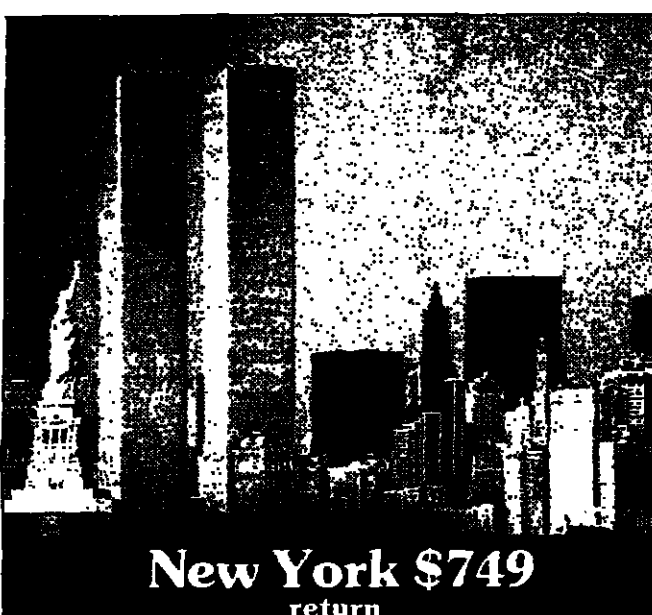
The ad stated, in part: "We Evangelical Christians do not condemn the trip itself. Certainly the clergymen can justifiably lay claim to a right and perhaps even a moral obligation to independently ascertain the veracity of the accusations... However, we find unconscionable the use of the PLO funds... We deeply regret the obvious imputation of Christian legitimacy to one of the world's most ruthless and unprincipled terrorist bands. We protest against an almost complete lack of discretion, a crude insensitivity which joined the name of the Prince of Peace to brutality, cowardice and implacable cruelty."

The Seattle Jewish leaders were encouraged by the reaction from the Evangelical group, whose enthusiastic support, in the words of Robbe Bridge, "demonstrated once again that the Jewish community and the State of Israel have many friends among Christians."

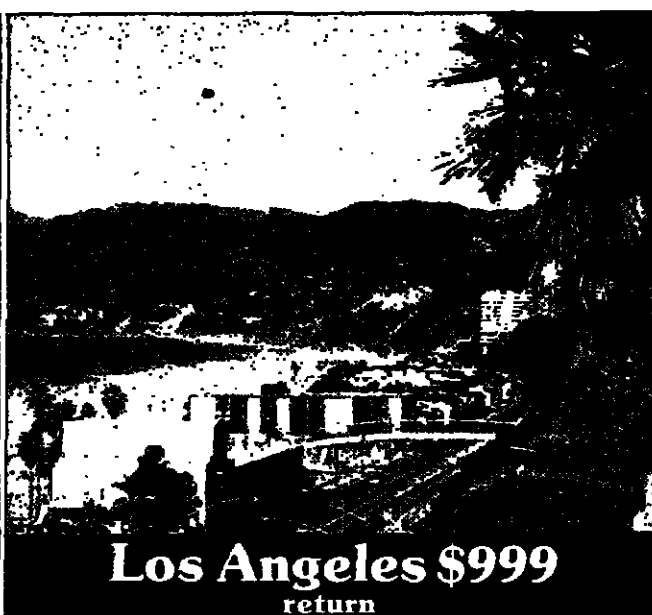
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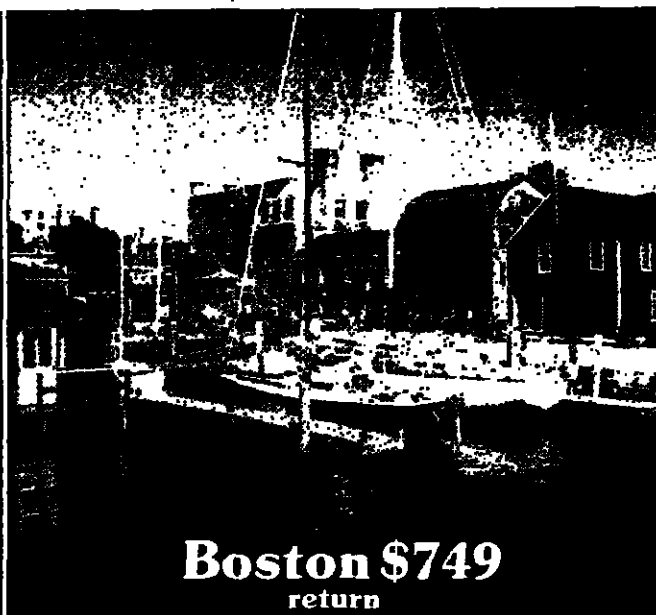
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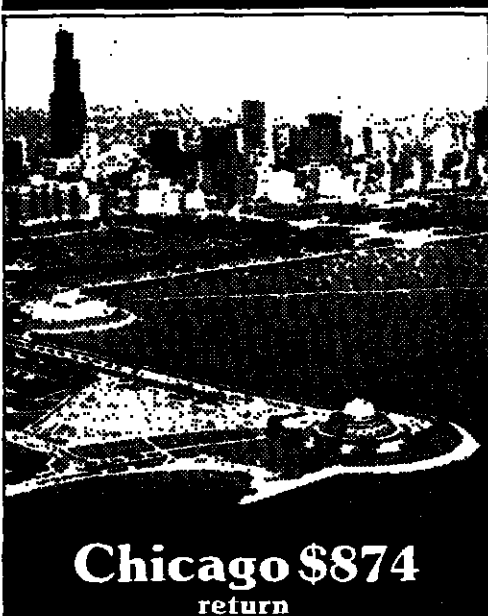
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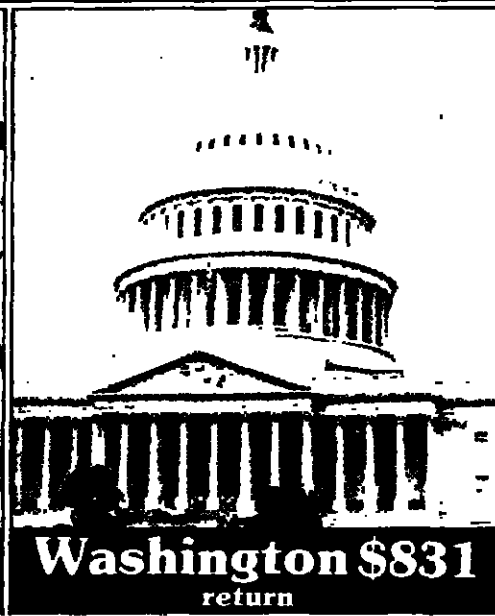
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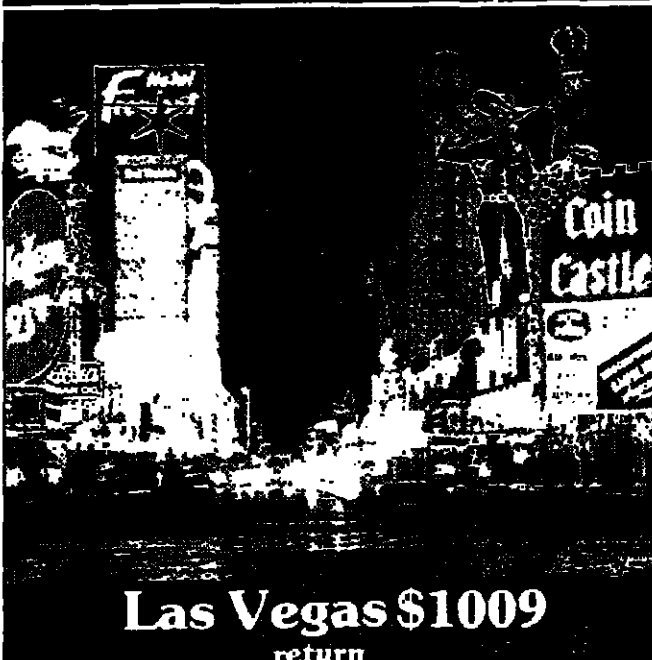
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ISRAELI CHAMBER ORCHESTRA, Mozart evening, Leopold Hager, conducting; with Krizina Laki, soprano (Tel Aviv Museum, March 28). Overture to "La Clemenza di Tito" K.621; Aria from "Don Giovanni"; Symphony No.33 in E-flat Major K.319; Recitative and Aria "Ah, lo prevedi," K.272; ballet music to "Idomeneo Re di Creta," K.367.

OF THE works presented only the last, the ballet music to "Idomeneo" could be enjoyed. Only here did the conductor exploit his potential.

The music to "Idomeneo" is a strange mix of archaic, baroque forms and elements and Mozart's own language. However, even this slightly forced framework did not prevent Mozart from writing something very powerful.

The most conspicuous quality of the music is its rich and compact sound, which Leopold Hager brought out to the best of his ability. He had the orchestra well under control, and exploited, to full capacity, all of its sections, combining them into a very impressive

sonoral concordance. By comparing the sound texture of the ballet music with that of the symphony, the listener could easily understand the peculiarity of the former.

The symphony itself did not emerge in very good shape and musically the interpretation was of little consequence. The orchestra seemed to go very much astray, contributing constantly wrong notes, false chords, bad entries and heterophony in the violins.

Krizina Laki disappointed in every aspect, including the vocal. Furthermore one must query how she could appear with Zerlina's three-minute-long miniature aria "Vedrai, carino" from the second act of *Don Giovanni*, as her sole number in the whole first part of the concert? The concert aria "Ah lo prevedi," sung in the second part, slightly improved Miss Laki's standing, but did not vindicate her nor prove the justification of her being invited to appear here as a guest artist from abroad.

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## Britain with a cause

GREAT Britain, said to have acquired its once vast, globe-circling empire in a fit of absence of mind, now seems to be losing what little remains of that empire in a fit of absence of mind. And with insult added to the injury.

The occupation of the Falkland Islands by that old claimant, Argentina, was bound to generate a storm on both the government and the opposition benches in the House of Commons, and it did. The Conservatives, many of whom were elected on a platform of strengthened defence, could not forgive the failure to anticipate the invasion by Argentina. The Labourites, believing in self-determination for the Falklanders, nevertheless would not consider their surrender to a country led — as John Silkin, MP, put it — by "a bargain basement Mussolini."

Clearly, heads had to roll, and they did. Both Defence Secretary John Nott and Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington tendered their resignations. The "iron lady," Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, turned down the former, but accepted the latter.

In offering his resignation to Mrs. Thatcher, Lord Carrington suggested that much of the criticism against his policy was unfounded. "But," he added, "I have been responsible for the conduct of that policy and I think it is right that I should resign." With the noble lord went two of his senior ministers.

A fine example. Why not for Israel, too?

## After Pessah

THE SINAI withdrawal resisters, down at Yamit, are reported to be jubilant: Defence Minister Ariel Sharon has decided to let them stay on until after Pessah. The idea behind the decision, made public on Sunday, is to have all veteran settlers leave the area first, and only then to force the evacuation of the diehards.

To the latter, this at long last spelled success in blocking the pullback from Sinai. To the veteran settlers, many of whom have been rushed out of their old homes in Yamit in the past few days despite the fact that their new homes across the border are still not ready, and they are obliged to make do with temporary structures for the time being, it reeks of craven surrender to a handful of "invaders." The reactions on both sides are understandable, but there is some reason to believe that they are not justified.

Mr. Sharon's tactics at Yamit, it is true, have long been puzzlingly unsteady. The minister has regularly been blowing hot and cold: now suggesting that it would be the better part of wisdom to keep the Egyptians guessing about Israel's intentions in the event of an Egyptian violation of the peace treaty, now categorically rejecting any notion that this country might go back on its word by refusing to complete the withdrawal by April 26.

At this very time, indeed, Mr. Sharon has taken a public stand in favour of Israel's adherence to the present El Arish-Ras Muhammad line unless the border demarcation dispute, notably over Taba, just south of Eilat, is first settled. But the cabinet has refused to endorse Mr. Sharon's position, at least at this time, and it is surely inconceivable that the defence minister would be making plans on his own to halt the pullback if an agreement did not come out of bilateral talks.

The cabinet, at its last meeting, on Sunday, in fact decided to send Mr. Sharon to Cairo for discussions of the issue with Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali.

Inevitably the conclusion must be that Mr. Sharon is readying the ground not for a moratorium on withdrawal but for the final ouster of its opponents — after Pessah. There can be no other plan, even if the Stop the Withdrawal leaders turn down Mr. Sharon's earnest, if somewhat naive, request that they should avoid reinforcing their troops at Yamit during Pessah. For this, plainly, would make the army's task of getting them out rather more difficult.

The defence minister's tactics are not immune to criticism, of course. One critical comment on them has come from the former deputy defence minister, Mordechai Zipori, now the minister of communications. On a visit to Yamit Mr. Zipori told the diehards, who had greeted him with catcalls, that, had it been up to him, he would have kicked them out in two days flat.

It may take Mr. Sharon a few days more, but he will do the same — right after Pessah.

## POSTSCRIPTS

**PS.** TURKISH police recently banned the sale of 29 fairy-tale books to minors. The books will be sold to readers above 18 years of age with an inscription "not for sale to minors," according to a police announcement.

Most of the books were published in 1980 and 1981, publishers said. The titles included several fairy tales by Iranian author-poet Samet Bahrami, who allegedly died in the hands of the late shah of Iran's secret police Savak in the early 1970s.

Others were written by Turkish teachers known for their leftist views before the military takeover in Turkey in September 1980.

The Turkish press has been following a strict "auto-censorship" policy since the military coup.

**PS.** "MY NEPHEW," writes E.G. of Haifa, "always leaves his flat unlocked, so that his friends may enter any time they like. He has been warned repeatedly that this practice not only invites burglars, but runs the added danger of invalidating any insurance claims because of the unlocked door. But our nephew never heeded our words."

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**PS.** R.S. FROM Beersheba says her favourite mangling of an English menu item is one she noticed recently in her home city: "Frayed Fish." No doubt a brave mallet that entered the fray and wound up as a fillet.

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## 'We are all Falklanders'

With tempers running high in London and Buenos Aires, and a strong British naval task force ready to do battle with Argentina, efforts for a peaceful solution to the Falklands crisis are expected to gain force.

The despatch of the largest fleet assembled by Britain since World War II, has given the British government a breathing-space of about two weeks before deciding on military action.

A massive diplomatic effort is under way in hopes of still finding a formula for negotiations on the Falklands, seized by Argentina in a dawn raid last Friday. But there were no clear ideas so far for a political solution. "There's no quick fix — there are no rabbits in the hat," a U.S. official said yesterday.

The British armada, led by the country's only two aircraft-carriers, has to travel about 8,000 miles (13,000 kms.) to reach the South Atlantic. The time needed could be vital for international political moves to head off a direct conflict.

Although both Britain and Argentina have said they are ready to fight over the remote, sparsely populated islands, Western diplomats cling to a belief that a way out may yet be found.

No prospect was seen of a voluntary Argentine withdrawal, but there could still be a slim chance of patching together a face-saving arrangement that would give the Falklanders limited autonomy under Argentine rule.

According to British sources, Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington had been in continuous contact with U.S. Secretary of State Alexander

Haig until shortly before he resigned. In Washington, U.S. officials said the Reagan Administration was extremely busy in searching for a formula.

The feeling in London was that Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government could be in serious danger, especially if it mounts an armed attack but fails to dislodge Argentina's invasion force.

Britain appeared to be banking on U.S. mediation and hopes that key European allies would join in urging the Argentine military junta to return to the negotiating table.

Mrs. Thatcher's pledge, that British rule would be restored, was hardened by her Defence Minister, John Nott, to the point where he, and perhaps the government, might have difficulty in remaining in office if it is not carried out.

Would he be willing, a television interviewer asked, to order a counter-invasion of the Islands? Yes, he replied.

Would he order his navy to sink Argentina's? Yes.

Would Britain attack the Argentine mainland? No comment.

The task force setting sail from Portsmouth yesterday is more modern and powerful than Argentina's entire navy, and the mightiest which Britain has sent to sea in anger for 25 years.

Nott's clearest indication of how he thought a conflict might develop came in this reply:

"We must see in the next few weeks what impact there will be upon the Argentinian junta if the public opinion in Argentina finds that they're losing their navy and

other matters which the junta depend upon for their position."

A hasty poll by a London radio station on Sunday found that almost four-fifths of the 656 people questioned wanted the government to use military force to recapture the Falklands.

The Times, organ of the British establishment, headed its editorial "We are all Falklanders now." But the Financial Times, the business community's journal, said "Jingoism is not the way" and argued that "There is no point in large expenditure of force to reassert a right which...we have not the means to sustain in the long run."

The Liberal Guardian said Britain's right to the Falklands was not in doubt, but the islands did not represent any strategic or commercial British interest worth fighting over.

Meanwhile, Argentina's military occupation authorities in the Falkland (Malvinas) Islands announced a series of strict regulations for the 1,900 inhabitants of the remote archipelago.

Declaring that they were now in complete control of the entire 200 islands in the archipelago following Friday's invasion, the authorities said the residents would be confined to their homes for 24 hours a day. Jail terms of 60 days would be imposed on anyone who showed disrespect to the invaders. Other penalties included 30 days in jail for rude gestures against the military, 60 days in jail for irreverent behaviour before Argentine national symbols, and 60 days for disrupting normal work of public services. The English language

## Dry Bones



would be accepted until education reforms were established and the islanders eventually would learn Spanish. Motorists on the islands would be expected to change from driving on the left side of the road to the right.

The capital of Port Stanley has already had its name changed to Puerto Rivero after Antonio Rivero, and Argentine who rallied opposition to the British occupation in 1833.

In Buenos Aires, President Leopoldo Galtieri responded to news that Britain was sending a powerful naval fleet to the Falklands area by saying that Argentina would fight to retain control of the islands, which Argentina has claimed since British rule began in 1833. "If the Argentine people is attacked by air, sea or land, the nation in arms will go to battle with all means at its disposal." (Reuter)

## READERS' LETTERS

## TRIGGER-HAPPY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Twice David Richardson employs the characterization of "trigger-happy" to describe Jewish residents of Judea and Samaria in a recent article (March 26). As I potentially fit his terminology, I would wish to make the following observations:

1. The standing orders for all Israeli citizens when in Judea and Samaria, whether residents or visitors, insist upon the carrying of arms.

2. The weapons distributed to the residents are for our self-protection to be used to defend our lives.

3. Stones, bottles and other projectiles (now, it seems, to include burning tyres) when thrown in support of the aims of the PLO can kill, injure or maim and are so intended.

4. In response to such hostile acts that are an identification with a terrorist organization dedicated to the eventual annihilation of Israel and in case of serious danger, the in-

structions of the army authorities are quite clear and permit the opening of fire.

5. Given the multiplicity of such acts and the fact that our weapons are automatic, it should be obvious to a non-biased observer, Israeli or foreign, that the low incidence of death both of Jewish and Arab residents is a sign that the system works. To attempt to indict a person acting in accordance with his legal right in such a situation with the charge of premeditated murder as the police have recently attempted and to willfully besmirch 25,000 Jews living in scores of villages throughout Judea and Samaria as "trigger-happy" as Mr. Richardson has done in the pages of The Jerusalem Post is slanderous and demagogic.

YISRAEL MEDAD

Shiloh.

CONSULTATIONS  
IN ISLAM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — According to your AP report of March 30, "Saudis to get first taste of 'Islamic democracy' soon," Shura was "first championed by the late Saudi King Feisal in 1960."

As a matter of fact, there is nothing "new" in Shura. Caliph Umar, on his deathbed in 644, appointed the first Shura in Islam. He conveyed to its six members, the oldest Companions of the Prophet (including his beloved wife A'isha) the task of acting as an elective council, Shura, in order to decide on his successor. It was this council which, after consultations (Shura), elected Uthman as the Moslems' third caliph. The tradition of such elective councils dates back to pre-Islamic times in the Arabian peninsula.

GIDEON WEIGERT

Jerusalem.

## DEALING WITH DEMONSTRATIONS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Having read your article of March 26 on Hama, I believe the ruling authorities in Syria have the correct solutions. I refer to the closing off of the area to all, especially news reporters. The lack of concern in the world, including the UN, and the silence of Syria's neighbours in bringing the matter to the attention of the world press support the Syrians' action.

## ADMIRABLE DEVOTION

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Regardless of whether one agrees or disagrees with the Stop the Withdrawal Movement, and as much as it hurts all of us to see Jews fighting among themselves, we still must respect and admire the selfless devotion and persistence of the Sinai squatters. A vast majority of them driven solely by love for Eretz Yisrael and care for the future

The same should be applied here in connection with our trouble spots in Judea and Samaria. Not having reporters and TV crews to demonstrate for and to, these upstarts may then cease their actions. Also, it would allow our law enforcement agents to deal with the matter in the best way they know without hindrance and outside interference. MORTON DAVIS  
Kibbutz Lavi.

of our people uprooted their lives and the lives of their families and jeopardized or inconvenienced their jobs to fight a frustrating and seemingly impossible battle. In an era of diminishing Zionist feelings, increased emigration and materialistic aspirations, it is refreshing to see that some people still really care. Jerusalem. ARNOLD NATHAN



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